

Addendum No. 3

RFQU2208TADEQ

Technical Assistance for the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality

***You must reference your company's receipt and understanding of this amendment in the cover letter of your company's proposal. ***

Pre-proposal Conference Q&A

	RFP Section	RFP Page	Question	Response
1	N/A	N/A	Are there any other projects besides the ones listed in the RFQU?	No, for brownfields it depends on site eligibility, LUST projects are addressed as funding is available, the triumph mine site is a specific site and cyanidation permitting is unknown at this time in regards to how many permits might be requested. DEQ has ongoing state funding, and potential federal funding for additional work. This is all a task order based contract, so nothing is in the pipeline but as sites come in we do the projects.
2	N/A	N/A	Can you expand more on the selection process, are going to do qualifications first and select 3 and go with price after that?	Yes, it's basically an RFQU process under state statute 67-2320. It's a two phase process, we are doing a qualifications based selection first where we rank the top 5 firms then from the top 5 firms we will start an RFP phase which will have a price component. Right now we are thinking of ranking the top 5 but there may be less or more. Currently the plan is to select 2 contractors. Future additions will be based on additional funding during the contract period (5 years).

3	4 QUALIFICATION STATEMENT CONTENT •Experience	6	Section 4 of the qualification statement content states “list all public sector clients for whom you have performed similar work in the past five years.” So for very large companies can that be limited to offices who propose to support this contract? Rather than offices on the other side of the country which have done similar work?	We will accept descriptions of public sector projects executed by your firm that demonstrate relevant experience. As long as your form can utilize your experience on the projects carried out under this RFQU we have no issue with where the project was located.
4	N/A	N/A	You hope to rank as many as 5 firms, have you pre-determined how many forms you will select after the RFP phase?	We currently have 2 firms under contract and there is a possibility of increasing that, but it depends on the federal funding where we can increase it for 3 or maybe 4 if additional funding becomes available during the contract period (5 years).
5	N/A	N/A	Can you tell us the volume of work anticipated per year?	We already answered that it is driven by the market and what sites we have within the various programs, the general remediation, LUST program, the Brownfields program, it ebbs and flows with the availability of sites are and what the funding is.
6	N/A	N/A	Can you tell us the estimated dollar amount might be per year would depend on the federal funding per year?	That is difficult to project. DEQ has funding to support 2 contractors at this time. If additional funding becomes available DEQ may add additional contractors during the duration of the contract (5 years).
7	6 SCOPE OF WORK	7	In the proposal you use (ME) and (E) before items in Section 6. Could you please define what they mean?	They stand for “Mandatory and Evaluated” and “Evaluated”. I apologize for the poor formatting of this document, this solicitation was originally envisioned to be an RFP where these Evaluation Codes were to be used but we converted this document to and RFQU where these evaluation codes will not be used and can be ignored in the Qualifications phase.

8	N/A	N/A	If there is more than one firm that is selected how do you distribute the work between more than one firm?	We try to distribute the work as evenly as possible depending on their availability. If one firm does not have staff availability then we would go with someone else to do the work.
9	6.3.1	9	For the specialized services under the Cyanidation Permits if we think that we are going to be conflicted out of that portion of the work should we still describe our ability to provide the service and then just make a note of who are clients are who we might be conflicted out? How do you want us to handle potential conflicts within the proposal?	You should list your qualifications and also list your potential conflicts. The evaluators can determine whether or not what you listed as potential conflicts elevate to an actual conflict of interest. There is a possibility for multiple cyanidation permits from different mines to be submitted to DEQ. DEQ does not know who or when these may be submitted.
10	N/A	N/A	I notice the contract will be for 5 years and I was curious if there would be a 2.5 year term and a renewal.	The duration of the contract is 5 years. The attainment of a complete 5 year term relies of contractor performance.
11	N/A	N/A	Do you guys expect a more robust budget as a result of the builds act or the result of things which are passing in our legislatures?	Yes, that is possible.